



Commonwealth of Virginia

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March 25, 2004

The Honorable J. Larry Palmer
Chief Judge
County of Surry General District Court
100 East Broadway
Hopewell, VA 23860

The Honorable Charles A. Perkinson
Chief Judge
County of Surry Juvenile and
Domestic Relations District Court
315 South Main Street
Emporia, VA 23847

As part of our audit of the Virginia District Court System, we have audited the cash receipts and disbursements of the County of Surry District Court for the period January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2003.

Our primary objectives were to test the accuracy of financial transactions recorded on the Court's financial management system; evaluate the Court's internal controls; and test its compliance with significant state laws, regulations, and policies. However, our audit was more limited than would be necessary to provide assurance on the internal controls or on overall compliance with applicable laws, regulations, and policies.

The results of our tests found the Court properly stated, in all material respects, the amounts recorded and reported in the financial management system; no material weaknesses in the internal controls; and no instances of noncompliance with applicable laws, regulations, and policies.

We acknowledge the cooperation extended to us by the Court during this engagement.

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cc: Deborah A. Hatcher, Clerk
Don Lucido, Director of Technical Assistance
Supreme Court of Virginia